

Who to Contact For Rabies Questions

How can I get my pet vaccinated for rabies?

Schedule a visit with your veterinarian, or contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) at 925-335-8300 for low-cost rabies vaccination.

What should I do if I'm bitten by an animal?

Wash the wound thoroughly with soap and water right away. Seek immediate medical attention and contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) at 925-335-8300.

What if my pet is bitten by an animal?

Contact your veterinarian for an evaluation of your pet's injuries and contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) at 925-335-8300.

What should I do if I have direct physical contact with a bat?

Wash affected areas thoroughly with soap and water and seek medical attention immediately. Call Contra Costa Public Health (/cd/) at 925-313-6740. If the bat is available for collection and rabies testing, contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) at 925-335-8300. No fee is associated with this service. If the bat is unavailable, seek immediate medical attention and call Contra Costa Public Health (/cd/) at 925-313-6740.

I was near a bat. What should I do if I'm not sure whether I had direct physical contact with a bat or not?

Contact Contra Costa Public Health (/cd/) at 925-313-6740. If the bat is available for collection and rabies testing, contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) at 925-335-8300. No fee is associated with this service. If the bat is unavailable, contact your healthcare provider immediately.

A bat was found in a room where someone had been sleeping. What should I do?

Contact Contra Costa Public Health (/cd/) at 925-313-6740. If the bat is available for collection and rabies testing, contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) at 925-335-8300. No fee is associated with this service. If the bat is unavailable, contact your healthcare provider immediately.

A bat was found in a room with a young child, disabled person, or intoxicated person. What should I do?

Contact Contra Costa Public Health (/cd/) at 925-313-6740. If the bat is available for collection and rabies testing, contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) at 925-335-8300. No fee is associated with this service. If the bat is unavailable, contact your healthcare provider immediately.

What if there's a bat inside my home or on the ground outside?

Contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) for removal at 925-335-8300. No fee is associated with this service.

Who can I contact about relocating bats that are living inside buildings?

A licensed pest controller.

Where can I report an animal behaving strangely or who appears sick?

Contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) at 925-335-8300. No fee is associated with this service.

Who will remove a dead bat or animal from my property?

Do not touch the dead animal. Contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) at 925-335-8300 for removal. No fee is associated with this service.

Where can I get an animal tested for rabies?

Contact Contra Costa Animal Services (<http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/index.aspx?nid=59>) at 925-335-8300.

I'm going on a trip. Should I get preventive rabies vaccine?

Check the [CDC Traveler's Health Destinations](http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list.htm) (<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list.htm>) page to see if rabies vaccine is recommended for your travel destination and circumstances. If vaccine is recommended, contact the [Contra Costa Travel Clinic](http://www.contracostatransit.com/immunization/travel.php) ([/immunization/travel.php](http://www.contracostatransit.com/immunization/travel.php)) at 925-313-6488, or check this [community provider list](http://www.contracostatransit.com/immunization/pdf/community-providers-list.pdf) ([/immunization/pdf/community-providers-list.pdf](http://www.contracostatransit.com/immunization/pdf/community-providers-list.pdf)).